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Let us reconstruct what has happened in Germany, giving it a North American setting and then ask could such things occur here. Imagine a man born in Canada and let's say his name is Roosevelt. He serves as a corporal during the war in the Canadian army. When he returns, he goes to the United States, gets odd jobs as a painter and paper-hanger, but likes talking better. He makes speeches in beer halls, exciting the crowds, for he can tear a passion to tatters. He organizes troops of boys in brown shirts and in a few years becomes President of the Republic. That was five years ago. He wants the people to have a new deal and has no patience with any who stand in his way. He also wants a new religion, a one hundred per cent. United States religion, and to this end he begins to persecute the Christians, Protestant and Roman Catholic alike. He exiles or imprisons people who are Jews and insists that only Aryans like himself shall be free citizens.

Three years ago, he ordered the murder of 47 if not more, men, some of whom had been his own brain-trusters. Then, with an idea of acquiring his native land, he sent emissaries up to Canada and they slew the Prime Minister, a man by the name of King, or was it Bennett? (As he was slain in cold blood it was hard to tell which). He thought there were judges not advanced enough to carry out his purposes so he packed the courts with his own partisans and decreed they should bear his blue eagles, and open court sessions with shouts of "Hail Roosevelt." He shuts himself up in his castle on a Catskill peak but makes occasional trips to the capital, not to ask Senators and Representatives, but to tell 'em. And also to review his troops and harangue the populace.

And there is this lad born in Canada now President of one of the greatest countries in the world, in supreme command of its military, naval and aerial forces, tossing marshals and generals aside as if they were privates. He tells the press and pulpit what to say and what not to say. Congress and judiciary do his bidding. The captains of industry are at his beck and call. Strong men tremble when he frowns. He bestrides this western world like a Colossus. His latest exploit was to send for the Premier of Canada and order him to add to his Cabinet five Rooseveltians, sympathetic to the New Deal. The Premier squirmed but eventually signed on the dotted line. He promised the Premier to preserve the independence of Canada but in his next fireside chat said nothing whatever about it.

No, sir, these things could not happen in the United States, but they are happening in Germany and that is one country in which one used to think such things could not possibly happen. Therefore we should not be so certain it could not happen in America, but we cannot see Americans submitting to any restriction of their liberty to criticize the President and his administration for after all, that is the final fruit and proof of freedom. The hour for rebellion has struck or has passed when men are ordered to hail their ruler with huzzas and are forbidden on pain of exile or imprisonment to

In The Days Of Auld Lang Syne

TEN YEARS AGO
Friday, March 16th, 1928

Curling was still in full swing, with the second mixed bonspiel being won by the rink skipped by Jack Wolfe. Other members of the rink were Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Roe and Paul Baker.

Fifty Vulcanites went down to Lethbridge in a special car, the occasion being the fortieth anniversary of Lethbridge North Star Lodge, A.F. & A.M.

Two new projection machines were installed at the theatre.

The first Vulcan Municipal Hospital Board was formed and included Messrs Alex. Smith, Wilson Oldfield, A. L. Burrows, O.B. Roe and Alex. Mitchell.

The current show at the Opera House was "Old Ironsides," and featured Wallace Beery.

Teachers' Alliance Sub-local Meets

The T.S.L., sub-local of the Alberta Teachers' Alliance, held its last meeting at the Red Cross school on Monday, March 7th.

Dr. Somerville of the Foothills Health Unit addressed the gathering on "Health in Relation to the School," in which many helpful and instructive points were brought to the attention of the teachers present. A discussion period followed, in which separate problems were brought up. Business matters were dealt with next, after which the members had an informal discussion on various problems relating to the school.

The date of the next meeting has been set for Wednesday, April 6, and the meeting will be held at the Red Cross school. Mr. E. Bazant will speak on "Mathematics in Grade Nine," a topic requested by the members of the organization.

Seed Grain Same Basis As Before

Expenditure of \$1,900,000 by the federal government for seed and seedling operations, was agreed to in conference of Hon. J. G. Gardiner, M.P. and Hon. D. B. Mullen, M.L.A., in Edmonton Monday. Arrangements regarding seed are on the same basis as last year. Purchase and distribution will be in the hands of the provincial government. Mr. Mullen said an early distribution was being arranged.

Good Deeds Women's Institute

The March meeting of the Institute was held at the home of Miss Hall with 18 members and three visitors present.

After the routine business had been attended to, Roll Call was answered with Irish jokes. Mrs. George Finnegan winning the prize.

A talk was given by Mrs. George Monkman on her trip to Vimy and the group were shown many interesting pictures.

The next meeting of the group will be held at the home of Mrs. Harry Smith on April 14th.

The Institute card party that was held at Mrs. Brown's was well attended. Six tables of bridge were played with honors going to Mrs. O. Hagg and Harry Smith and Mrs. Rutberg and Mr. W. Wylie.

Farmer Fined For Not Paying Seed Grain Advance

(From Calgary Herald)

First man to be tried in this city under the Agricultural Relief Advances Act of 1936, Arnold John Gray, farmer, 15 miles west of Calgary, pleaded guilty to a charge of selling grain, contrary to the provisions of the Act.

Gray was said to have sold 300 bushels of wheat and 650 bushels of oats, failing to make restitution to the government for 70 bushels of oats and 70 bushels of wheat he received as spring seed on April 28, 1937. He was given until the end of March to pay the penalty.

In pointing out the seriousness of the charge, Crown Prosecutor M. H. Staples stated, under provisions of the act, it was an offence to sell any grain for three years after the advances had been made, without the consent of the municipality. Total value of the spring seed Gray received was \$2119.21.

Gray told Magistrate George W. Edmunds, he thought he had enough grain left on hand to cover the advances made by the government, but that later the price of grain had dropped 10 to 15 cents.

In giving sentence, Magistrate Edmunds stated the offence was of a serious nature. "I haven't heard of any prosecutions under this act before and am taking that into consideration. Just because I am going to treat you leniently, I don't want any other farmers to think they can get off so easily. Under the circumstances, I fine you \$10 and no costs, and to make restitution and in default, six months' imprisonment."

Sub-soil Moisture Conditions Best In Years; Near Ten Year Average

Water Conservation Dams Are Full; Results of Basin Lister Method Followed With Interest.

With sub-soil moisture conditions practically up to the ten-year average farmers in this district will be able to sow their wheat this spring with the knowledge that chances for an average good crop, based on spring moisture conditions, are far better than at this same time last year. The ten-year average for sub-soil moisture at this time of year in the district of which Vulcan is a part is 4.75 inches. Last year at this time moisture in the ground was charted at 2.16 inches, less than one half of what it is at present. According to Searle Grain Co. reports wheat that will be planted this year already has a sub-soil moisture reserve of 4.65 inches, which is very close to normal. Those farmers who have made efforts to conserve the moisture in their fields and reduce the yearly spring run-off, will undoubtedly have more than 4.65 inches, sub-soil reserve.

Various dams throughout the district, constructed under the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation scheme, are full to overflowing and will provide water for stock watering conservation, the results of which will be watched with much interest, is the basin lister method which has been employed by A. J. Clayton. The basin lister machine was constructed by Mr. Clayton from a Wheatland plow, only six discs being used and five of these having a semi-circular bit removed. Small pits, about two feet apart and six to nine inches deep are thus dug in the land and each of these pits holds from 10 to 15 gallons of water when full. In this way the spring run-off of water is prevented and sloughs on Mr. Clayton's land which normally hold two ft.

Services on Friday For Gordon McKay and Arthur Vaughn

Gordon Byron McKay, aged 55 years passed away at his home in Vulcan on Friday morning, following an illness of three years. Services by Rev. P. G. McPherson will be held in the United Church, Friday, March 18 at 3 o'clock. Snodgrass Funeral Home in charge.

The death took place of Mr. Arthur Craig Vaughn, aged 50 years on Wednesday, March 16, after a prolonged illness. Services will be held on Friday afternoon at 1.30 from the Church of Christ. J. D. Deans officiating.

The new car licenses, bright red numbers on a white background, will not be issued until March 28. Hoskyn & Walker are the local issuers. 1929 cars are not eligible for old car fees, but only 1928 or previous years models.

of water in the spring are practically dry this spring. When the frost is out of the ground it is Mr. Clayton's intention to see how far the moisture held in the pits has penetrated into the ground. The Advocate hopes to be able to publish more information on this method of water conservation next week.

Perfect spring weather has prevailed so far this month and last Sunday night the mercury failed to go below the freezing mark. Side roads throughout the district have been practically impassable, although the winds of Monday and Tuesday have aided greatly in drying them.

Town roads are still covered with water in spots and are very rough.

Brief Items of Local Interest

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Robinson were Calgary visitors this week.

Mrs. W. Hill is visiting with friends in Vulcan this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Atkinson were recent Calgary visitors.

Mrs. G. M. Carson spent a few days in Calgary last week, returning home on Sunday.

Mr. O. V. Hickman and daughter, Pauline, of Calgary, spent the week end in Vulcan.

Mrs. Keith Horne, of Medicine Hat, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McKay.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Scotney have returned from Manitoba and have taken up residence again on the Hickman farm.

We appreciate receiving news items of local interest. Please hand such items in at the Advocate office or telephone 36.

The marriage took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roebuck on March 14 of Violet Ellen Ruark to Clarence Somerville of Lomond.

Dr. and Mrs. Carson are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary this Thursday, March 17th. The Advocate joins in extending to them the best wishes of the entire community.

Vulcan will be well represented by several carloads of hockey fans when the Trail Smoke Eaters and Calgary Rangers clash at Calgary on Saturday.

Friends of Mrs. Harry Douglass, Mrs. Ben Herdman and Mrs. Orlo Doane, will regret to learn of the passing of their aunt, Mrs. Charles Minue of Okotoks, recently.

Farmers are reminded of the public meeting being held in the Canadian Legion hall on Tuesday, March 22nd, commencing at 8 p.m. Speakers from the Dominion Experimental Farm will speak on Soil Conservation and the control of cutworms and grasshoppers.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Kettleson and sons were Calgary visitors on Monday.

Mr. George Buck was a recent business visitor in town.

Miss Mary Zang spent the week end in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lebeau were week end visitors in Calgary.

Mrs. N. S. Campbell of Queenstown is spending a few days visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave McFee have had as their guest Mr. McAfee's brother, Harry McAfee.

Several carloads of local Masons visited Lethbridge on Monday evening the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of the Lethbridge lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carson of Maple Creek, Sask., are visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Carson. Mr. Wenger of Langdon, was a visitor at the Carson home last week end.

K. Roy McLean, Optometrist and Optician, 209-10 Southam Bldg., Calgary, will be in Vulcan at the King Drug store on Monday, March 21st, in the afternoon and evening.

Don't forget that Saturday, March 26th, is the closing date for entries to be received in the Board of Trade "Amateur Night" that is to be held in Vulcan in the first week of April.

Country correspondents and all those handing in items of news are asked to bear in mind that the deadline for news each week is five o'clock on Tuesday. We cannot promise publication, in that week's issue, of any items received after that time.

Ten members of the 'Vulcan Elks' lodge journeyed to High River Monday evening and witnessed the initiation of four new members by the High River lodge. Champion and Okotoks lodges were also well represented at the meeting. The High River degree team will visit Vulcan on Monday, April 11th, when four new members will enter the local B.P.O.E. lodge.

Wheat Pool Meets At Kirkcaldy

A meeting of the Alberta Wheat Pool was held in the Kirkcaldy community hall on Tuesday of last week. Mr. Colwell was chairman and introduced the speakers, the first of whom was Guy Voisey, the local Wheat Pool delegate. A report of the last Pool convention, held at Calgary in November, was given by Mr. Voisey. The second speaker, Mr. Mangles, gave a very interesting talk on the Wheat Pool as a farmers' organization and his main topic was co-operation of the farmers to maintain a better price for their goods and services.

Following the addresses by Mr. Voisey and Mr. Mangles, a film, entitled "This Germination," was shown. It dealt with wheat, from the time the seed was planted until it was marketed as bread in the homes of the Empire. Many interesting points dealing with the life of the wheat plant were shown in this four-reel picture. Another short picture was shown, dealing with the germination of wheat and the germination test as made by the Pool for the farmers of Alberta. A good crowd was in attendance.

Regular Meeting of Students Union

The March meeting of the Students' Union was held last Friday, 11th. The meeting was as usual in charge of Harry Martin and opened with "O Canada."

During the business meeting "thank you" for flowers, sent by the school to students and friends confined to the hospital, were read.

The opening item of the program was a sing-song which included the school song, "My Wild Irish Rose," "There's a Long Long Trail A'Windin'," and "Pack Up Your Troubles." "I Love a Lassie," not being on the song sheets, at the president's suggestion, Mr. Irvine sang it for us. Thanks is extended to the Canadian Legion for their courtesy in lending us their song-sheets. Following this, Ronnie Marshall sang "There's a Gold Mine in the Sky." A vocal duet was then sung by Frances and Patricia Shaw. Next Elva Mallory and Eileen Clark played a piano duet. A recitation by Lillian Clark, then disclosed the supposed doings of Harry Martin the night of the banquet. The closing item consisted of the reading of the "Retaliator."

Many Attend Last Rites J. Richardson

(Special to The Advocate)

The Mayview district mourns the death of one of its oldest citizens in the death of Joseph Owen Richardson who passed away March 4th at the age of 72 years. He was a much beloved and highly respected resident of the community for 38 years. In 1905 Mr. Richardson moved from Corberion, Ontario, to High River, and shortly after homesteaded in the Mayview district, where he resided until his death. He saw Mayview district built up from raw prairie into a well-settled farming district. Besides being a trustee of the Mayview school for some years, Mr. Richardson was a regular attendant at Berrywater church and was a member of the church board. Joining the Mayview U.F.A. at its organization, seventeen years ago, he rarely missed a meeting of that group.

Surviving are five children, all residents of the district: Leslie, Lloyd, Lee Lorna and Edward; and two grandchildren, Nora and Ralph Richardson.

The funeral, which was largely attended, was conducted in the Vulcan United Church by Rev. P. G. McPherson. Among those from a distance who attended were Mrs. Taylor of Battleford, Sask., sister of the deceased, and Mr. and Mrs. Cain of Calgary.

The pall-bearers were Alex. McInyre, Wilson Oldfield, A. J. Clayton, Dewey Doane and J. S. Smith.

Floral tributes were received from the family, Leon and May Bateman, Mrs. Taylor, Berrywater congregation, Mayview U.F.A., Mr. and Mrs. Nafziger, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mensinger, Berrywater U.F.A. and U.F.W.A., Mr. and Mrs. Plourd, Johnny Canuck Jr. U.F.A., Mr. and Mrs. T. Willard, Mrs. Robinson and Ralph, the McIntyre family, the Doane family, the Clayton family and the Stein family.

News Gleanings From Our Correspondents At District Points

KIRKCALDY

Mr. A. J. Maisey, Bert Maisey and Everett Todd motored to Calgary last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Galloway and family returned home on Wednesday from Calgary where they have been visiting with relatives for the past two weeks.

Mr. Albert Markert was a visitor in Calgary on Wednesday.

Mr. S. W. Colwell attended the zone Social Credit meeting held in Champion on Saturday.

Master Jimmie Keegstra, who has been in the Shriners' Hospital, at Winnipeg for the past five months, returned home on Thursday. Jimmie is looking fine and the Kirkcaldy people are all glad to welcome him home again.

Mr. Lorne Maisey was a visitor in Calgary over the week end.

Master Allan Markert was a patient in the Vulcan hospital for a few days last week when he had his tonsils removed.

The Rifle Club met at the community hall on Monday of last week. The president, Mr. Harold King of Vulcan, was present. Rules and regulations were drawn up and it was left to the committee to choose a site for shooting. Work will commence on a back-stop as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

Miss Nettie Ware was taken to the Vulcan hospital on Saturday suffering from injuries sustained in a fall at her home. Friends of the district all wish her a speedy recovery.

BERRYWATER

Miss McPherson of Sunny Glen school, spent the week end in Calgary.

Miss Muriel Fontaine is spending a couple of weeks visiting her parents at Milo.

The dance held at the Sandpit school on Friday evening proved a success, despite the poor condition of the roads.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Fanny VanBaskirk at Stockton, Missouri, on March 8th. Mrs. Van Baskirk was an aunt of Mrs. Frank Davis, Mrs. Donald Smith and Lou and Harry Douglass of this district.

WEDDING

GALLOWAY — BOOMER

A wedding of local interest was solemnized on Thursday, March 10th, in the United Church in Calgary, when Daisy, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Boomer of Joffre, became the bride of Clarence, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Galloway. Rev. Robert Paton officiated.

The bride was gownned in coronation blue taffeta and carried a bouquet of roses and ferns. She was attended by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Lena Chambers, who was gownned in a navy taffeta and carried a bouquet of carnations.

Mr. George Stokes of Armada attended the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Galloway will make their home near Red Deer, Alberta.

GREAT SCOT!

An American staying in a London hotel was introduced to an Aberdonian, who asked him: "And what country do you belong to?" "The greatest country in the world," replied the American. "Man! So dae I," replied the Scot, "but you dinna speak like a Scotsman."—Hanna Herald.

Church Notes

ANGLICAN CHURCH

"There may be poor reasons for going to church, but there are lots of poor reasons for not going to church." Service at St. Aldhelm's will be at 7.30 p.m. on Sunday, March 20th.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services for Bible school, Communion and preaching at the regular morning hours. Special blackboard for message for the children, which will be of interest to all.

Evening—Evangelistic song service and preaching. Subject: "Thou Has Almost Persuaded Me to be a Christian." Young People's service following evening message and this will be worthwhile for all young folks to attend. Come and bring a friend.

CLEARANCE SALE OF RADIOS

Model 113, A.C., 7-tube performance. Reg. \$74.95, now	\$49.95
Model 107, D.C., Console. 8 tube performance. Reg. \$79.95, now	\$52.95
Model 104, D.C., 6-tube performance. Reg. \$32.95, now	\$24.95
Model 105, D.C., 6-tube performance. Reg. \$42.95, now	\$28.95
Model 98, A.C., 6-tube performance. Reg. \$34.95, now	\$25.95
New 1936 Marconi A.C. Model, 8 tube performance. Only	\$31.00
DeForest-Crosley Electric Cabinet Set, Only	\$20.00

H. W. Johnston's Garage
PHONE 20 VULCAN

At the national Conservative council held this week in Ottawa it was recommended that there should be joint provincial and federal associations in the provinces. A bureau for exchange of speakers between provinces will be set up. A press service may be established at Ottawa with issues in French and English.

"I like the story about the Chinese soldier who was asked how much pay he got in the last month," writes Sir

Francis Acland in the London "Time and Tide." "Two dollars," said the soldier. "How much fighting did you do in the last month?" he was asked. "Two dollars' worth," he replied. Snap.

The Advocate will be pleased to receive items for the local columns regarding visitors, entertainments, parties leaving for holidays or short trips, bridge parties, teas, etc.

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THE WILL OF 700,000 PEOPLE?

When Premier Aberhart keeps on implying that he is the acknowledged saviour of 700,000 Alberta people it is rather annoying. When he suggests as he has done, that 700,000 people in Alberta are all upset over the Supreme Court decisions, he knows he is not "hewing to the line." Optimist though he may be, he knows that the entire population of Alberta, is not in accord with him in his criticism on courts and judiciary.

In one moment he deprecates and decries the stiff-necked Albertans who do not agree with him. In the next breath he assumes that 700,000 people—or all the men, women and children of this fair province—are in complete accord with him. This assumption that everybody is supporting him in his weird conflicts with organized institutions is palpably false. But the very volume of his tirades and the recklessness of his assertions, may leave outsiders with a wrong impression. It obliterates from their view the large body of opinion in Alberta, which is directly opposed to the Social Credit mirage.

In the first bloom of his election victory in 1935, he might have been excused for taking a large view of electoral support. But the subsequent inflictions of his government have crystallized the sentiment of his pre-election opposition, and have chilled the ardor of those who hoped for efficiency and economy. His opposition in the legislature has strengthened considerably, and that without any general election. The dividends of \$25.00 a month are now rarely mentioned by Social Credit, the "fountain pen finance" has been hushed, and after two and a half years nothing has happened except the establishment of a costly Social Credit Board which is said to be laying a foundation. All the ordinary processes of provincial business seem to be distorted toward some vague Social Credit end, which is completely obscured to the ordinary intelligence; which has as yet brought no beneficial result to anyone except a few additional employees, and which has brought only turmoil to the province as a whole.

Never before in its history has Alberta been plunged in such a welter of cross purposes and antagonisms within its own borders, and with the federal government, to which it must look for benefits and for final leadership.

In the opinion of many, a great part of this outlawed legislation of the past two years, was passed with full knowledge that it was outside of provincial authority. It has been a case of erecting one strawman after another to shoot at, and take people's attention from the general failure to attack problems lying within the scope of the province.

Even the most patient and trusting must be having their doubts, that dividends will ever be paid without heavy tax on production. Even without any dividends the government has found excuses for imposing heavier taxation and more licenses on those who cannot afford to pay them. It has brought disillusionment to many who believed. It has shown incompetence and indifference to those who hoped. It has failed even more lamentably than expected in the eyes of those who opposed it. Mr. Aberhart should not use those figures "700,000" so loosely.

WHAT DO WE GET OUT OF IT?

Returns covering the cost to date of the Turgeon Commission have been tabled in the House. They include the remuneration paid to the two lawyers engaged by the gov-

ernment to assist the commissioner. The enquiry was highly profitable to them.

The chief counsel for the government was Hon. J. L. Ralston, formerly a Liberal member of the House and from 1926 to 1930 Canada's minister of national defence. Mr. Ralston has suspended his political career to mend his private fortunes and is doing very well, thank you. For his work on the Turgeon enquiry his remuneration was \$200 a day for legal fees, plus \$20 a day for living expenses. The legal fees brought him \$25,674. Mr. Ralston is a busy lawyer and if his regular practice yields at this rate he should soon be in a position to resume his political career, undisturbed by the howling of a wolf at the door.

The assistant counsel was a young Winnipeg lawyer by the name of J. E. Coyne. Guide readers who had never heard of him, need feel no embarrassment. He is away to a pretty good start in life, however, for his legal fees at the miserly pittance of \$50 a day, amount to \$16,100. "What with legal fees, living allowances and travelling expenses the two gentlemen cost the country over \$48,000 for their work on the commission."

There is nothing extraordinary about these legal costs. Apparently when a government engages lawyers, it does so at their own valuation, and modesty is not one of their failings. The record does not state whether or not they blush when they take the money but governments should feel no surprise because some people see red when they read about it.—Country Guide.

GOOD TAX COLLECTORS

(From The High River Times)

In one respect at least, private business can look up to governments. They are superb tax collectors. If the struggling business man had the same authority and the same thumb screws at his command, he would be in much better position. But on the one hand, governments make good fellows of themselves by preventing merchants and dealers from instituting harsh methods of collection. And on the other hand they are merciless in demanding the taxes which they impose on certain lines of business.

As an example, the excise tax of 8 per cent imposed by the federal government. Periodically the Times' office is obliged to make returns to the government on business done, enclosing the amount of the eight per cent. The cheque must be certified—the government takes no chances in that respect. Moreover, the payment must be made on the printing done, whether the Times office has received payment for it, or not. In fact there is a proportion of this business on which the office takes a risk. Settlement may not be made for months. But the government takes none of the risks. It demands its toll on the actual printing done, and let the business man collect if he can.

This same principle is doubtless enforced in many other lines of merchandizing, cutting unfairly in what profits might be made, if the eight per cent levy was made only on the cash actually received. And this is only one of the ingenious methods by which business life is taxed and hampered.

The new proposed wage tax under consideration by the provincial government is an imposition which would hit the small wage-earner, as well as the higher scales, and in its plan would impose further annoyance on the employer. It is the employer who must deduct the one per cent. tax on all salaries over \$60 a month. If the person taxed is liable also for income tax, the amount of the wage tax will be deducted and the earner will pay the difference. If the wage tax is greater than what is due under the income tax, the difference will be returned by the government. It will first be collected, and then it may be returned. What a complicated system! They take it away, and then maybe they will give it back, although the government has not established an enviable reputation in this giving back.

No, the small wage-earner may be expected to view any proposed wage tax with real apprehension and hostility. It would be an imposition completely unjustified on the part of legislators who feel that they themselves must have \$2000 for three months' work in order to get along. And the employer has reason to protest all the additional book-keeping involved in this Act. The burden of collecting is placed upon him, and he must deduct from a scale of wages that cannot stand such deduction. The government gets the money—the employer gets the grief, as in the case of the old sales tax.

Eye Opener News And Views, 1903

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The Eye Opener is flying along over the crests of the waves, with balloon top-sails and spinners all set. Ut ventum omnes let em all come.

As Chief Justice Sifton moves along in his implacable way, seeking it to the horse thieves, it begins to look as if Andrew Carnegie might be able to get in some fine work providing funds for an annex to Stoney Mountain.

The "unco guid" of this town must envy us our shady character in this hot weather.

From observation we have arrived at the conclusion that the reason married men make so few breaks compared with single men is because their wives interpose, and prevent them making fools of themselves. A sound argument in favor of matrimony. Therefore bring on your spinsters and let spinsters be brought, and in the bringing, nothing bring but spinsters, spinsters, spinsters. Oh, for a spinster!

Women do not get half the credit they are entitled to. If man or machine is unequal to a task, turn it over to a woman with a hairpin. As has been remarked before, love makes the world go round, and marriage enables it to get square.

In reply to "New Arrival's" letter we would say that any advice we might give on how to get on in this country is not to be relied upon. Our advice is not considered very valuable in such matters. However, we may say that the man who puts his trust in God, and simultaneously rustles for a job, is reasonably sure to assimilate sufficient for his immediate appetite and thirst.

To avoid snoring, Nora darling, don't sleep with your mouth open.

When you find yourself doing so, get up and shut it. If ever you should marry a snoring husband, here is a recipe. Prop your back against the wall, raise your knees and plant your feet against his back. Then suddenly straighten out. When he picks himself off the floor he will not be snoring.

R. B. Bennett recently assured a friend of ours that he had no intention whatever of running for parliament at the next election. Bennett should call in a specialist who can tell him how to say what he means without putting it the other way round. After all the Canadian Parliament is fairly respectable.

We read in a book of facts that a pair of hogs will in ten years have a progeny of 6,634,838 pigs. And yet Mike Moran and Peter McDermott, two talented citizens, who are too fly for their own good, have each been married for a longer period and have only two children apiece. According to the above they ought to have 6,634,838.

When is that long distance telephone service in Alberta going to start?

We believe there is a good deal in the law of mental medicine, though perhaps it is not so good with microbes. In ordinary sickness the manner of the doctor cuts a very wide swath with the patient. How wistfully does the sick person lying in bed, regard the doctor sizing up the case. Let the doctor look grave and wag his head, and begin writing things out on slips of paper, and it is all up! If you don't worse you won't get better. But if he comes into the room like our doctor here, with a breezy smile, and tells you you'll be all right by morning, that there's nothing the matter with you; that there is a horse-race coming up and you can easily go if you take one of these little pills every hour—then you are pretty sure to be up and doing the next day. It is far more important to

have confidence in your physician, than that he should know anything about your case. A bread pill and a trustful imagination, works wonders. When a sick man begins to dissect himself he is soon qualified for the bone yard. The carpenters can start on his coffin. Were we called upon to name a prolific source of suggestion we might mention newspaper literature relating to disease. The law of suggestion is the most important factor in man's mental make-up.

We understand from latest advice that croquet is regarded as a very swift game in Okotoks.

The lost tribes of Israel in the dishevelled shapes of Galicians and Doukhobours are getting the south branch of the C. and E. into condition; ballasting with gravel and giving it complete overhauling. The immunity from accidents which the road has enjoyed, is no doubt due to the incessant watchfulness of Niblock, the superintendent, who is forever prowling.

Quite a gathering of crack polo players will assemble at High River polo grounds this afternoon. Middleman, Swan and Lord Edward Seymour of the Millerville district are expected to be on hand, and the High River club looks like a virile institution. The latest victim to the charms of polo is seven U Brown who made his debut last Tuesday and is no slouch. All that is wanted now is for George Lane to line up on a bang-tailed pony. On special occasions a large marquee will be set up for the ladies to serve tea and allow the players to rest al fresco. Hanson of the Hills has to travel 25 miles to these games and he gets here almost twice a week.

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From Hansard

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Pertinent Topics

(By H. C.)
(Continued from Front Page)

criticize his acts. No we really do not think it could happen here.

Mr. King and Mr. Bennett are opposed to gambling. That's why they voted against Senator Banard's proposal for a national lottery to help finance hospitals. But of the two, Mr. King is the more consistent. When Mr. Bennett was in power he put the federal treasury behind a scheme by which he hoped to help the grain-growers of the prairie provinces, by playing the wheat market on a grand scale, which many people, especially in the east, denounced as a grand gamble. Mr. King, getting into power removed the treasury from behind or beneath the scheme just in time to show that it was a failure. The price of wheat kept going up and Mr. Bennett is now able to show that if it had been continued a while longer, enormous profits could have been made. Mr. King however, is able to retort that not he alone, but the people of Canada were opposed to the enterprise. He can show that even those who would have profited by the result, were opposed to it. The prairie provinces elected only two supporters, Mr. Bennett himself, who represents a city constituency in Alberta, and Mr. Perley who represents an agricultural constituency in Saskatchewan. Mr. King can claim that without question he had a clear mandate to pull the prop from under the Bennett-McFarland enterprise, and his claim must be allowed.

Parliament, some years ago, passed an Act placing an embargo on the exportation of liquor into the United States. It did not pass an Act that every individual application for a permit to export liquor should come before parliament. That would have been absurd. Parliament would have been deluged with applications, and the members would have been pestered by lobbyists. Yet this is what Mr. King purposes doing with respect to the export of power. Instead of taking a decided stand for or against the export, he purposes placing every application for a permit before parliament. He does this because the only applicant so far is the Premier of Ontario who desires to embarrass him and whom he wishes to placate.

It will always be hard to estimate correctly General Pershing's place in history as a military leader and strategist. His refusal to allow his troops to be distributed so as to back up the hard-pressed British and French armies might easily have resulted in catastrophe but whether that decision was his own or President Wilson's, is still a moot question. The same foolish settlement prevails now as then.

Resolutions Made Early in 1938

BELGIUM—We shall wallop the daylight out of any belligerent who tries to use our country as a short cut.

GERMANY—We shall eliminate all the Jews from the Bible, starting with Moses.

ENGLAND—We shall be the League of Nations from now on—and it won't be a minor league.

IRELAND—We shall try to win a prize in the Irish Sweepstakes.

JAPAN—We shall work for peace both Russia and China; first a piece of land from Russia; then a piece from China.

RUSSIA—We shall expand our plan of imitating capitalistic countries and spreading propaganda that we're not.

FRANCE—We shall be franc about it and blossom and Blum with prosperity.

SWITZERLAND—We shall ignore a snarling Europe and concentrate on producing the world's finest chocolate scenery and yodels.

ITALY—We shall continue to march to glory under the triumphant banner of Julius B. M. Caesar.

UNITED STATES—We shall follow F.D.R. Donkey four more years, meanwhile hoping G.O.P. Elephant is one elephant that can forget.

—Charles Conger Stewart
—Readers' Digest

The United States may take parallel and simultaneous action with Great Britain, but the folks at home must be assured that their country is acting independently. It will be remembered that the United States was not one of the Allies. The word "associate" was the only one allowable. It was a nice distinction but there were tremendous political implications behind it.

Winston Churchill when he is not a member of the Cabinet, allows himself considerable latitude as a member of the government party. Quite properly too, but he ought to seek advice from some friend who will tell him when to assert his independence. He took a stand against Baldwin in the abdication issue and was hooted down. He spoke against Chamberlain but did not vote, in the recent crisis. If one cannot find more suitable occasions to dissent, he would be well advised to remain loyal if for nothing else than to show he is not peeved about being only a private.

Think shame o' yerself, as the Scots say, if you object to paying \$2.50 a year license fee for your radio. If you were told thirty years ago, that you could hear the best music, the best sermons, baseball and hockey reports, speeches by the greatest statesmen and publicists in the world, including Kings and dictators, and the news of the day how much would you have offered for it? Because the government controls it now, you think you should get it for less than cost. Governments can give it to you for no fee at all, but depend upon this; they will take it out of you in another way, the worst way of all, indirect taxes.

Objects To Attack On Courts—Judges

**P. J. Rowe, M. P. Did Not
Sign Plea for Unwin-Powell
Remission for Several Reasons.**

P. J. Rowe, M.P., Independent Social Credit member for Athabasca, was one who did not sign the petition circulated in the House of Commons for the Powell-Unwin remission of sentence. He gives as his reasons for not signing:

"Indulgence in personalities and attacks upon the characters of private citizens, have nothing to do with economic reform and this is equally true of attacks upon the judiciary and jury system.

"The attempt to raise the bogey of 'persecution' is obviously demagogic, political and calculated to appeal to passionate, prejudiced and uneducated minds, but will not influence impartial persons.

"Efforts of Conservative Leader D. M. Duggan to gain redress and appropriate apology by reference to an Alberta legislature committee were blocked by the legislature, which suggested court action as an alternative.

"Six jurymen and six judges in the Supreme and Appeal Courts of Alberta were unanimous that an offence had been committed.

"Circulating of a petition while the remission branch of the Dominion department of justice is in the act of examining the merits of a plea for clemency is in my opinion, improper."

Over 600 horses were sold this week at the Lacombe horse sale.

Premier Aberhart stated on Sunday that he heard that Social Credit is sweeping Saskatchewan like a prairie fire.

Each Needs What Other Produces

NO TWO REGIONS on earth have more in common than the Western and Eastern parts of Canada. Each needs what the other produces. The East needs wheat, and next to Great Britain it is among the outstanding buyers of prairie wheat. The East needs cattle—and bought last year from the West a quarter of a million head. The East needs butter, so it buys between 20 and 25 million pounds each year. Sheep, lambs, hogs, calves—the industrial East buys them by the trainload. To an extent not generally realized, the part of Canada that lies east of the Great Lakes provides the prairies with a tremendous market.

THE 2,500,000 PEOPLE of the three prairie provinces also need many things that are produced in the Maritimes, Quebec and Ontario. For instance, Dominion Textile Company's 7,000 workers, who live in six Quebec towns, make bed sheets, material for dresses, underwear, and shirts and scores of other necessary and useful textile goods. They sell these products all over Canada—including the West. In return, they buy from all over Canada—including the West.

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Radical Change In Old Quebec

**Can Premier Duplessis Hold
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(From Financial Post)

Revolutionary and seemingly radical changes are taking place in ancient Quebec. Out of the welter of rumors and reports, many biased, some accurate and other deliberately misleading, has arisen a belief that the ideals of Confederation are imperilled, that vested interests are in danger and rights of minorities threatened.

For years there has been an undercurrent of feeling among French-Canadians that they have been exploited for the benefit of the "strangers." Many of their richest resources have passed out of their hands. The railways, commercial institutions, factories, banks and other enterprises are controlled predominately by English-speaking citizens.

From one end of the province to the other, the agitation for a change developed, culminating a short time ago in the overthrow of the 40-year-old Liberal Government and its replacement by a Nationalist group, under the leadership of Maurice Duplessis, young lawyer from Three Rivers.

Since then affairs have moved quickly. Legislation has been rushed through the House. Orders have been issued. Individual rights have been endangered. Almost dictatorial powers have been assumed by the Premier. Capital is frightened. Labor no longer is "contented." Outside interests have looked with new eyes upon Quebec.

The ancient province no longer is the stronghold of feudalism and capitalism.

For generations there have been pure well-defined classes—the habitant, originally sensing public reaction instinctively, and changing sentiments or friends overnight if necessary. His pre-election promise was Quebec for Quebecers.

His Natural Resources Act made it compulsory for any developing company to incorporate within the province. This brought greater control over companies developing crown lands.

In forestry, mining and water power he has enacted measures to improve working conditions, bringing increas-

ed cost to operators. But he has threatened penalties to companies cutting prices. He has gone half-way in meeting the clamor for public ownership of power. The reforms that he has instituted seem radical only because they are enacted in Quebec.

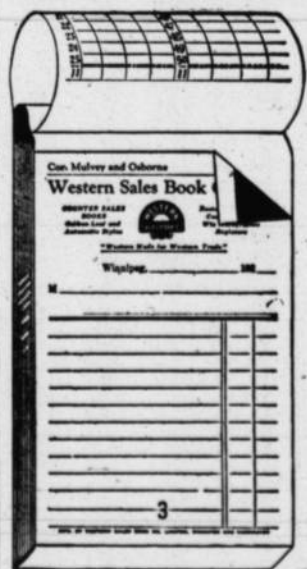
Pressure has been used on industrial firms to see that more executive positions are filled by French Canadians. The main problems in this is to find the able men.

The government has adopted old age pensions, established a fair wage board and improved labor condition.

The Padlock Bill gives the Attorney General right to seize all Communist literature, close meeting halls or private places being used for spread of Communism. This bill is supported by most Catholic leaders. The church occupies a position of influence probably unequalled elsewhere in the world. There is no question but the church has had a hand in the Duplessis policies.

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INTERESTING ITEMS

Spencer Tracy in "Captains Courageous" and Louise Rainer in "The Good Earth" were awarded last year's prize for acting.

Bread is six cents in Winnipeg; milk 11 cents a quart. Winnipeg pays only about \$1.25 for average home electric bill.

Which reminds me of the story they used to tell of a shiftless character who piled into bed one night after a moon hunt, with shoes, clothes and all. After a while, his wife shook him: "Get up, you got your shoes on." To which he mumbled: "That's all right, they ain't my good ones."

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Here Everywhere With Other Papers**Bell Rang at 9 o'Clock**

A former resident was asking about the old town. "I understand they have a curfew law out there now," he remarked. "No," his informant informed; "they did have one, but abandoned it." "What was the matter?" "The bell rang at 9 o'clock, and almost everyone complained about being awakened!"—Lethbridge Herald.

↑↑↑**The Muted Taxpayer**

Mayor Jameson Bone, of Belleville, told a convention of Ontario mayors that 1,500 property owners in his city provide its entire population of 15,000 with fire and police protection, paved streets, various other services and free education.

Incidentally, education takes a third of Belleville's taxes.

High property taxes have so discouraged property owners that there is little building. The building trades have been crippled. And about 60 per cent. of Belleville's population is dependent upon the building trades.

In Winnipeg, property owners pay 92 per cent. of that city's taxes. As voters they are outnumbered two to one by those who, all together contribute but eight per cent. of the municipal revenue. There, too, the building trades are flat.

The same sort of picture could be drawn of most Canadian cities. The demands of the majority who pay little or nothing are met by increasing imposition upon the minority who pay nearly all.

Forgotten is the fable of the goose which laid the golden eggs.

What is true of municipal spending is true of all government spending. There is a plethora of spending agencies, but only one set of drained taxpayers.

There would be less unemployment were there less spending by governments and more spending by property owners and business.

The Rowell Commission has noticed no shortage of briefs from government spenders, who all want to get more to spend.

But who is going to enter a brief for the taxpayer? Where are all the people's paid representatives who, in appealing for votes, promises to look after the interests of the man who puts up the money?—Maclean's Magazine.

↑↑↑**Democracy Adequate**

The present political and social unrest and dissatisfaction in this free democracy can only be due to the major cause, namely, that the masses or some reason, fail to exercise fully the power they undoubtedly possess. The ballot is secret and they are unquestionably able to elect whom they chose to represent them in our law-making bodies. It is hardly to be supposed, that these popular representatives, once they are duly elected, immediately become corrupt creatures of wealth and power and thus betray the trust reposed in them. It is far more likely, that they are men of at least average honesty and intelligence who, when definitely faced with responsibility, find that a course of ruthless exploitation of more important property owning classes, would quickly react against the masses and reduce us all to a state of abject poverty.

The very popular assertion, that the "big shot" control and run our governments, is not very complimentary to the rest of us. It is tantamount to proclaiming that the voters are a bunch of nit-wits and our legislative representatives an aggregation of crooks. If we want to squash and completely "liquidate" these "big shots," "interests" and "money power" all we have to do is to say so by our votes. Democracy is all-powerful. It can do almost anything—except to make it rain and to establish satisfactory world prices of agricultural products. And when I come to think it over, perhaps this unfortunate limitation is really responsible for all our troubles and the "big shots" had, after all, little to do with our unhappy plight—Farm and Ranch Review.

The Oil Industry And Auto Owner

The oil industry cannot be accused of any laggardness in its efforts for welfare of the automobile owner. It has to see that not only do the brand new cars and their latest equipment run properly, but that the old gadgets also run to their satisfaction.

At times, also, the oil industry has had to contend with over-ambitious deans of automobile manufacturers, such for instance, as in the case of free-wheeling lubrication, where the automobile engineers overlooked the lubrication problem.

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SUNSET

The monarch of the heavens
Soared his westward way.
I then seemed to pause and linger
Just before the close of day.

The whole earth was an easel,
And his canvas a sky of blue,
He had clouds of varied colors
With the winds for brushes new.

Then he began his painting
Of scenes both old and new,
That in his endless travels
He had seen posing in review.

The splendor of the Orient
And of its magic carpets told,
Then quickly showed a picture
Of a burnished shrine of gold.

Using a change of clouds
A scene of tundra showed
In grey and dreary colors,
A land that was once a tropic abode.

Next came darkest frica,
In superstition bound,
The land of ancient history,
Where the sphinx and pyramids are found.

With only the slightest warning
His theme he did change,
And showed the wondrous scenes
Of a lordly mountain range.

Then waves of a mighty ocean
That tumbled in freedom rare,
From the ice-bound Arctic Ocean
To their sun-kissed southern lair.

Then the travelling artist,
His tasks for the day well done;
Continued on his journey
And became the setting sun.

—DALLAS L. SPERRY

Bill to Secure All Home Owners

\$2000 Fee Required Before Starting Foreclosure Ensures Defendant of Another Home

Hon. Lucien Maynard has introduced a bill in the house called the Home Owners' Security bill. The object is to prevent foreclosure against all homes. The mortgage is not cancelled, but right to foreclose on the mortgage is withdrawn. Absolute security of home-owners is provided. The sum of \$2000 must be paid into court, when foreclosure proceedings start, to be paid to the debtor when final order is issued. This will assure the debtor of another home.

The present Debt Adjustment Act has amendment introduced by which a debtor to whom the provisions of the bill apply must deliver to the board one quarter of his income to be disbursed by the board amongst his different creditors after satisfactory adjustment is reached. In return the debtor will no longer be annoyed by his creditors for payment. All creditors will have to go to the board for payment of their claims.

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Interested friends of Miss Jeanette Ware will regret to learn that she recently met with an accident which necessitated her removal to the hospital. Friends of John W. Hunter Sr., will be glad to know that he is convalescing nicely.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hendrickson of Lomond, on March 11th, a son. Mrs. Howerton's condition is so much improved that she will shortly be leaving the hospital.

Friends of Miss Eva Warden will be glad to know she is doing nicely. Mr. and Mrs. Norman McKague are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter, on March 11th.

The hospital Superintendent has requested that the visitors to the hospital bear the following points in mind:

- (1) Although you are well, your friends are ill, and require quietness. If your friends are convalescing some one else's friends are ill and they cannot stand noise.
- (2) Positively, no children under fifteen years of age, will be allowed into the hospital unless accompanied by their parents.
- (3) There are signs all over the house requesting quietness. In future this point will be strictly adhered to.
- (4) When visiting, make it a point to quietly visit your friend and not in all the other wards. Then quietly leave the hospital.

toward reduced membership be taken, and that a system of voting be introduced to provide representation for minority groups. It is doubtful, opined members, that any action would be taken this session.

Opponents of the Home Owners Security bill, expressed the opinion that if it prevents the collection of interest, it runs foul of the Federal Interest Act. The sum of \$2000 is regarded as confiscatory, because in many cases the property is not worth the amount of the mortgagee's claim against it. The mortgagee's money represents the savings of Alberta people or those of other provinces, loaned in good faith.

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